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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1906.

A Costly Road.

One of the most costly roads ever constructed in this State was completed last month on the First Mountain, connecting Upper Montclair with Cedar Grove. It was constructed under the State law, and although it is only one mile and a half long, its cost was \$80,000. Under the provisions of the State law Upper Montclair, and the township of Verona, will have to pay ten per cent. of the cost, the State one-third, and Essex county the remainder. The road is forty feet in width and is paved with telford. Starting at Mountain avenue, Upper Montclair, it continues over the mountain, ending at the entrance to the Overbrook Insane Asylum, on Grove avenue. It was constructed for the purpose of affording a short route between Upper Montclair and Cedar Grove. Heretofore in order to reach Cedar Grove it was necessary to travel south along Valley road to Bloomfield avenue, then up that thoroughfare, and then again north, making a distance of several miles. Now the distance is shortened by more than one-half. Another reason given for the construction of this new road is that there are three roads—Hedge road, Pompton turnpike and Grove avenue—all running north and south, that could not be reached heretofore without traveling to Bloomfield avenue, and then going west, which was a long and inconvenient route.

It seems that there was a foot-path over the route where the new road now runs, but in order to make it possible for vehicles to traverse it an immense amount of rock had to be blasted. The foot-path alluded to was formerly known as the old Van Gieson Gap, and beyond the mountain there was swampy ground. This has been filled in with the debris taken from the mountain, thus making the road perfectly solid. It required just one year and nine months to construct the highway, and this is considered an abominable time, owing to the difficulty encountered in blasting the rock. The deepest cut in the mountain is thirty-four feet, and the wall on the right side of the road is a perpendicular one of rock, while that on the left side is of clay. In fine weather the road will be an ideal one for carriage riding or automobile, as no part of it is too steep, and the sloping woodland on both sides, as well as the view on Second Mountain, ahead, are pleasant to look upon.

Too Much Traffic.

Moses Plant, chairman of the sub-committee of the Newark Board of Trade appointed to interview the officers of the Lackawanna Railroad and urge upon them the importance of a better train schedule between that city and the suburban towns, visited Vice-President B. D. Caldwell in his New York office on Thursday in company with A. C. Courter, chairman of the Internal trade committee of the board. Several other influential members went along.

Vice-President Caldwell received his visitors in a most friendly way, and had prepared a mass of data showing the exact passenger transportation conditions which confronts the company.

Special attention was given by Mr. Plant to the condition of train service between Newark and Upper Montclair. Mr. Caldwell showing that the discontinuance of the trains between 5:23 o'clock and 7:30 o'clock were unavailing.

"We will not assume the danger of permitting more than one train to enter the tunnel at one time," said Mr. Caldwell, "and as it takes about two minutes for a train to pass through, you can see that in the commission hours our train service is limited."

Mr. Plant insisted, however, that there ought to be some way devised that shall permit at least one train between Montclair and Newark about 6 or 6:30 o'clock, and Mr. Caldwell said he would try and work out a schedule that would give such a train, although he made it plain that it might be found impossible.

The committee returned late Thursday night with no immediate relief so far as better train service on the Lackawanna Railroad is physically possible, but that there is hope of an extra train at night to Montclair.

A caucus of the new Town Council will be held to-night at the home of Mayor William F. Sutphen, when appointments and committees will be agreed upon—if possible.

To Ward Of Annexation.

There is much important work to be done for the incoming Town Council in the course of the new year. The position of Councilman will be no exception; it never was, for that matter, but the public business is growing so fast that more time and attention will be required of him to keep up with it than in past years. Time was, and not so long ago, when our local representatives, five in number, met every month for the transaction of the public business. Now nearly double that number convene twice in each month, and yet the list of items under the head of "unfinished business" is at times unenviably long. Now problems are constantly presenting themselves for solution as they do in every rapidly growing community. The day is near at hand when Montclair will have to incorporate as a city. It would greatly serve to simplify and expedite matters all along the line, and the danger of Montclair's annexation to Newark would be eliminated.—Montclair Times.

William W. Wyman.

William W. Wyman, sixty-five years old, and for over forty years a resident of this town, died on Friday night of last week at his home, 456 Broad street, of heart trouble, after an illness of only a few days. Mr. Wyman was born in Lancaster, Mass., and for many years was connected with the firm of Crowell & Co., book publishers, in New York. Mr. Wyman was prominently identified with the affairs of this town, and was a member of the Board of Trade. He was also a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and a deacon at the time of his death. He had been superintendent of the Sunday-school of this church, and also of the Broughton Memorial Chapel. Mr. Wyman is survived by a widow, a daughter of the late Warren Baldwin; two sons, Arthur Wyman of Colorado Springs, William A. Wyman of this town, and one daughter, Miss Beulah Wyman, also of this town.

The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon from the First Presbyterian Church, with interment in the local cemetery.

A Tragic Death.

Michael S. Jones, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael S. Jones, of Glenwood avenue, was burned to death in his home on Tuesday. The child was burned to death while his mother was asleep with her two-week-old baby in an adjoining room.

The father was calling on a sick neighbor at the time. The child amused himself, it is believed, in the meantime by pulling out red hot coals from the stove with a poker and depositing them in a pasteboard box and his clothing became ignited. The child tried to reach the door which was closed, but was unable to do so. The father found the little one's body burned to a crisp and the room on fire when he returned.

The mother was beside herself with grief, and it was necessary to station an officer at the house all day Tuesday to keep her from harming herself. The father is employed at the American Brake Shoe Works.

Death of Martin Graham.

There was a large attendance at the funeral of Martin Graham in the Church of the Sacred Heart Thursday morning. Mr. Graham was a young man employed as a freight train conductor. He was the only son of Patrick Graham of Orchard street. Several weeks ago he was injured at Forest Hill and was taken to the hospital. He was a member of the Catholic Lyceum, the Catholic Benevolent Legion and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

Knights of Columbus Organized.

More than 300 Knights of Columbus from this vicinity witnessed the institution of Bloomfield Council Thursday night in Lyceum Hall. There were forty-six candidates, among them being the Rev. Joseph M. Nardicello, pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart, and the Rev. Frederick Lucke of St. Peter's Church, Belleville.

Belleville Council initiated the candidates into the first and second sections, while in the third District Deputy Daniel J. Dagan of Orange, with the State degree team and District Deputy William J. O'Keefe of Plainfield had charge.

These are the officers of Bloomfield Council: Grand Knight, William H. Nolan; deputy grand knight, Charles J. Woods; chancellor, Edward J. Moran; recorder, Joseph F. Drury; financial secretary, Grover T. Caffrey; treasurer, John J. Murray; lecturer, Alexander J. Smith; advocate, James P. Mylod; warder, Thomas H. Higgins; inside guard, Edward Byrne; outside guard, Thomas O'Connell; trustees, Charles J. Murray, Henry J. Sommerkamp and Nathaniel J. Hanan; chaplain, the Rev. Joseph M. Nardicello; delegates to State Council, William H. Nolan and Edward J. Moran; alternates, James P. Mylod and N. A. Hanan.

New Motor Car Company.

The Central Motor Car Company of this town has been incorporated with a capital of \$25,000, of which \$10,000 has been paid in. The incorporators are: Assemblyman Charles B. Underwood, Ernest Heston Cadmus and Charles Ward Smith, all of this town. The company will manufacture motor vehicles of every description. A garage to cost over \$10,000 will be erected at the corner of Washington and Farnham streets.

Savage Assault.

When Pasquale Rinaldo, an Italian, employed at the new plant of the Westinghouse Electric Company in Watsessing, refused to go to the store to get some kerosene oil for Salvatore Grassia, the latter struck him in the face. Rinaldo resisted the assault and a fight ensued, during which Grassia pulled a revolver and shot at Rinaldo, the bullet, however, going wide of the mark. Rinaldo went to the police station and procured a warrant for the arrest of Grassia. Saturday afternoon, when Policemen Blum and Shorter went to arrest the accused he tried to brain the officers with a piece of iron. They dodged his blows, overpowered Grassia and arrested him. When arraigned before Recorder Cadmus the latter committed him to the county jail to await the action of the grand jury.

Italians in Fight.

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Newark Board of Trade Acts.

The committee on Internal trade of the Newark Board of Trade having received a number of complaints that the train service on the Lackawanna Railroad between Newark, Bloomfield and Montclair is far from satisfactory, especially between the hours of 5 and 7 o'clock in the evening, has appointed a special committee, which has arranged to meet Vice-President B. D. Caldwell of the railroad at his office in New York. The committee will urge upon Mr. Caldwell the need of better service not only between the points mentioned above, but between Newark and many stations on the Morris road. The special committee is composed of Moses Plant, Albert H. Peal, Albert J. Hahne, R. J. Goerke and Albert C. Courter.

Church Notes.

The services at Ascension Church, Montgomery street, to-morrow will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10:30 A. M., and evening prayer at 8 o'clock. The choir will be enlarged and the Christmas music will be sung.

"Realized Possibilities" will be the subject of the Rev. S. Travena Jackson's pulpit discourse in the Watsessing M. E. Church to-morrow morning. The evening subject will be "The End of Time."

In the Park M. E. Church to-morrow morning Dr. Hurlbut will preach on "The Boy with the Lizard Coat." In the evening on "Oil in the Vessel."

Rev. William T. Wilcox, pastor of the Sixth Presbyterian Church, Chicago, will preach in Westminster Church to-morrow morning and evening.

A Nice Present.

Pianos were a favorite Christmas present. Among those who received pianos from Santa Claus Tuesday were Mrs. Samuel Garner, Mrs. Fred Twidell, Mrs. William Armstrong, Mrs. George Brown and Mrs. James Kelly. These instruments were secured from Mrs. C. D. Milner, the well known piano saleswoman, who sells direct from the piano factories.

In Memoriam.

The following minute was adopted by the Board of Trade at a meeting held December 13 in reference to the death of Harry White, a member of the board: "The death of Mr. Harry White, who has removed one from our midst who had, during his many years of residence in Bloomfield, been actively identified with many of the prominent interests of this town. He was forceful, and made himself felt. He was a devoted husband and loving father; an energetic member of our board; an enthusiastic and ardent citizen of Bloomfield. Firm in his convictions as to what was right, he could not be swayed from the path of duty. While he occupied places of trust on various committees of this body, there was none to which he gave so much force, love and devotion as he did to the committee on July Fourth celebration, of which he was chairman for two consecutive years."

While a citizen of this country from choice, he brought so much zeal, patriotism and devotion to the cause that the labors of that committee could not fail of success. "The Spirit of '76" will so enshrine his memory in the hearts of the people that his name will be revered for many years to come. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Trade of Bloomfield, as a loving tribute to the memory of our friend and fellow member, Mr. Harry White, set aside a page in our minute book in memoriam.

Resolved, That we will ever cherish his memory as a devoted, active and useful member of our board. To his family in their bereavement we extend our deepest sympathy, and devoutly commend them to our Father in Heaven, who will have them in His care and keeping.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and resolutions be sent to his family, and that they be published in the Bloomfield CITIZEN and spread upon the minutes."



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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that objections in writing to the work done or materials used in the matter of the construction of a sanitary sewer on Glenwood avenue and the construction of a four foot stone sidewalk on the east side of Bloomfield avenue must be filed with the Town Clerk on or before December 17, 1906, at 5 o'clock P. M., at which time the Town Council will meet in the Town Council chamber in the Bloomfield National Bank Building, Bloomfield, N. J., to consider such objections. By order of the Town Council,
W. L. JOHNSON,
Town Clerk.

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., December 2, 1906.

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